

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent application of

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Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: Concurrently Herewith

For: NON-VOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND MEMORY  
SYSTEM USING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

The examiner is hereby advised that the line numbers appearing in the specification are incorrect and have been recounted correctly for purposes of amendment.

Page 1, Lines 3 and 4, delete in their entirety and insert <sup>new U.S. Pat. No. 6,172,911</sup> This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/283,583, filed April 1, 1999, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/100,330, filed June 19, 1998, <sup>new U.S. Pat. No. 5,909,399</sup> which is a continuation of